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## **Oconee Sheriff Arrests Anderson Man In Internet Predator Sting**

**Columbia** - Attorney General Henry McMaster announced today that Charles Monroe Harris, 41, of 407 Eisenhower Road in Anderson, was arrested on March 17, 2007, in an undercover Internet sting conducted by the Oconee County Sheriff's Office.

The Oconee County Sheriff's Office is a member of the Attorney General's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force.

Harris was arrested on one (1) count of Criminal Solicitation of a Minor (§ 16-15-342), a felony offense punishable to ten (10) years imprisonment.

Arrest warrants allege that Harris solicited sex on the Internet with an individual he believed to be a thirteen (13) year old girl. In reality, he was communicating with an undercover Oconee Sheriff's Deputy.

Search warrants were executed at Harris' residence on March 17, and resulted in the seizure of a computer and computer-related equipment.

The Anderson County Sheriff's Department, also a member of the ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation, arrest, and search.

Harris was assigned a bond of \$25,000. A booking photo is available through the Oconee County Detention Center.

This is the sixty-sixth (66<sup>th</sup>) arrest since the Internet Predator law was passed in April 2004.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

McMaster stressed that all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

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